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Application No.: 10/785,373

Filed: 02/23/04

For: Device and method for controlling solid-state

memory system

The above-identified application or patent has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences because it is adjudged to interfere with another application or patent. An interference has been declared. The interference is designated as No. 105,581.

Notice is hereby given the parties of the requirement of the law for filing in the Patent and Trademark Office a copy of any agreement "in connection with or in contemplation of the termination of the interference." 35 U.S.C. § 135(c).

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JAMESON LEE
Administrative Patent Judge

## INTERFERENCE DIGEST

Interference No. 105,581	Paper No.
Name: Karl M.J. Lofgren et al.	
Serial No.: 10/785,373	Patent No.
Title: Device and method for controlling solid-state memory system	
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# BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

## KARL M.J. **LOFGREN**, JEFFREY D. STAI, ANIL GUPTA, ROBERT D. NORMAN and SANJAY MEHROTRA

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Junior Party (Application 10/785,373),

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v.

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#### DAVID PRUTCHI and PATRICK J. PAUL

Senior Party (Patent 6,525,986).

Patent Interference No. 105,581 (JL) (Technology Center 2800)

DECLARATION - Bd.R. 203(b)<sup>1</sup>

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  "Bd.R. x" may be used as shorthand for "37 C.F.R.  $\S$  41.x". 69 Fed. Reg. 49960, 49961 (12 Aug. 2004).

#### Part A. Declaration of interference

An interference is declared (35 U.S.C. § 135(a)) between the above-identified parties. Details of the application(s), patent (if any), reissue application (if any), count(s) and claims designated as corresponding or as not corresponding to the count(s) appear in Parts E and F of this DECLARATION.

#### Part B. Judge managing the interference

Administrative Patent Judge Jameson Lee has been designated to manage the interference. Bd. R. 104(a).

#### Part C. Standing order

A Trial Section STANDING ORDER [SO] (Paper 2) accompanies this DECLARATION. The STANDING ORDER applies to this interference.

#### Part D. Initial conference call

A telephone conference call to discuss the interference is set for 10:00 a.m.

(Eastern Time) on 20 November 2007 (the Board will initiate the call).

No later than **four business days** prior to the conference call, each party shall file and serve (SO ¶¶ 10.1 & 105) a list of the motions (Bd. R. 120; Bd. R. 204; SO ¶¶ 104.2.1, 120 & 204) the party intends to file.

A sample schedule for taking action during the motion phase appears as Form 2 in the STANDING ORDER. Counsel are encouraged to discuss the

schedule prior to the conference call and to agree on dates for taking action. A typical motion period lasts approximately eight (8) months. Counsel should be prepared to justify any request for a shorter or longer period.

#### Part E. Identification and order of the parties

### Junior Party

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ANIL GUPTA, Irvine, CA

ROBERT D. NORMAN, San Jose, CA

SANJAY MEHROTRA, Milpitas, CA

Involved Application: 10,785,373, filed 23 February 2004

Title: Device and method for controlling solid-state

memory system

Assignee: None

### **Senior Party**

Named Inventors:

DAVID PRUTCHI, Lake Jackson, TX

PATRICK J. PAUL, Lake Jackson, TX

Involved Patent:

6,525,986, granted 25 February 2003, based

on Application 09/767,040, filed 22 January 2001

Title:

Stackable microelectronic components with self-

addressing scheme

Assignee:

None

The senior party is assigned exhibit numbers 1001-1999. The junior party is assigned exhibit numbers 2001-2999. Bd. R. 154(c)(1); SO  $\P$  154.2.1. The senior party is responsible for initiating settlement discussions. SO  $\P$  126.1.

## Part F. Count and claims of the parties

Count 1

Lofgren's Application claim 40 or claim 51

or

Prutchi's Patent claim 1 or claim 12

The claims of the parties are:

LOFGREN: Claims 40-54

PRUTCHI: Claims 1-15

The claims of the parties which correspond to Count 1 are:

LOFGREN: Claims 40-54

PRUTCHI: Claims 1-15

The claims of the parties which do not correspond to Count 1, and therefore are not involved in the interference, are:

LOFGREN: none

PRUTCHI: none

The parties are accorded the following benefit for Count 1:

## Lofgren:

Patent 6,715,044, granted 03/30/04, based on application 09/939,290, filed 08/22/01

Patent 6,317,812, granted 11/13/01, based on application 09/657,369, filed 09/08/00

Patent 6,148,363, granted 11/14/00, based on application 09/064,528

Patent 5,806,070, granted 09/08/98, based on application 08/931,193, filed 09/16/97

Patent 5,430,859, granted 07/04/95, based on application 07/736,733, filed 07/26/91

Application 08/396,488, filed 03/02/95, now abandoned

#### Prutchi:

Patent 6,208,579, granted 03/27/01, based on application 09/347,841, filed 07/02/99
Patent 5,987,357, granted 11/16/99, based on application 08/903,313, filed 07/30/97

#### Part G. Heading to be used on papers

The following heading must be used on all papers filed in this interference, see SO¶ 106.1.1:

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Patent Interference No. 105,534 (JL)

## Part H. Order form for requesting file copies

When requesting copies of files, use of SO Form 4 will greatly expedite processing of the request. Please attach a copy of Parts E and F of this DECLARATION with a hand-drawn circle around the patents and applications for which a copy of a file wrapper is requested.

/Jameson Lee/ Administrative Patent Judge

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Copy of STANDING ORDER Copy U.S. Patent 6,525,986 Copy of claims of application 10/785,373

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